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AMCONSUL PORT SAID SENDS.

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SUBJECT: SOVIET CONSULATE OPENS IN PORT SAID

1. THE SOVIET CONSULATE IN PORT SAID, WHICH HAS BEEN IN A STATE OF READINESS FOR SOME FIVE MONTHS FINALLY ACQUIRED OCCUPANTS THIS WEEK IN THE FORM OF A CONSUL A MERCHANT MARINE SPECIALIST AND A SOVIET CITIZEN SECRETARY.

2. ACCORDING TO POLISH VICE-COUNSEL, SOVIET CONSUL IS EXPERIENCED IN EGYPTIAN AFFAIRS, HAVING SERVED AN EARLIER TOUR IN CAIRO. THREE-MAN OPERATION MAKES SOVIET CONSULATE LARGEST IN PORT SAID. CONSULATE OCCUPIES LARGE, THREE STORY VILLA IN RESIDENTIAL SECTION OF CITY'S FOREIGN QUARTER, WELL AWAY FROM CANAL AND HARBOR.

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2. GENERAL FEELING AMONG CONSULAR CORPS IS THAT SOVIET WILL

SUFFER GREATLY FROM CITY'S OPEN HOSTILITY TO RUSSIANS, AN
HOSTILITY LESS BASED ON POLITICS THAN ON PAST DEALINGS BETWEEN
LOCAL BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND SOVIET VISITORS TO PORT SAID.

3. WILL REPORT FURTHER WHEN IDENTITY OF SOVIET OFFICIALS IS KNOWN.
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